(MMSCMD)

	Fertilizer	Power	Sponge iron	Others	Internal Use/ Shrinkage	Total
Tripura	—	4.650	—	0.150	—	4.800
Andhra Pradesh	2.140	6.140	—	0.400	—	8.680
Pondycherry	—	0.200	—	0.004	—	0.204
Tamil Nadu	—	2.010	0.010	0.150	—	2.170
Delhi	—	2.600	—	0.480	—	3.080
TOTAL	26.280	40.480	6.120	24.394	6.480	103.754

Fund Collected under Oil Industry Development Act

961. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:
SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) total amount collected, so far, under the provisions of Oil Industry Development Act, 1974; and

(b) the actual amount released to OIDB for Petroleum sector from the collected amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) and (b) Out of the net collection of cess of Rs. 33,439 crore (approximately) upto March, 1999, an amount of Rs. 902.40 crore has so far been released by the Government to the Oil Industry Development Board.

International Diesel Price

962. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the international diesel price in US $ per MT in September' 97 and November' 97;

(b) the corresponding retail selling price, including duties, taxes etc. in Rupees per litre for Delhi, Calcutta, Mumbai and Chennai;

(c) the international diesel price in US $ per MT on 7th October' 99; and

(d) the corresponding retail selling price including duties, taxes etc. in Rupees per litre in the above cities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) The international FOB price of diesel in US $ per MT in September, '97 and November, '97 in Arab Gulf and Singapore Market is given below:

(fig. in $/MT)

Month	Arab Gulf	Singapore
September '97	163.15	172.58
November '97	167.08	178.22

SOURCE: PLATTS

(b) The retail selling prices in Delhi, Calcutta, Mumbai and Chennai were as under:

(Rs./litre)

	As on 2.9.97	As on 7.11.97
Delhi	10.34	10.29
Calcutta	10.63	10.58
Mumbai	11.53	11.47
Chennai	11.39	11.34

(c) The international FOB price of diesel in US $ per MT on 7th October' 99 in Arab gulf and Singapore Market is given below:

(Fig. in $/MT)

Date	Arab Gulf	Singapore
7th October '99	171.58	181.03

SOURCE: PLATTS

(d) The corresponding retail selling prices of diesel in Delhi, Calcutta, Mumbai and Chennai were as under:

	(Rs. per litre)
Delhi	13.91
Calcutta	14.20
Mumbai	16.54
Chennai	15.24

Disinvestment of GAIL'S Shares

963. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had launched GDR issue for disinvestment of GAIL's share in October, 1997;

(b) if so, whether the international offer of the equity was deferred by Government; and

(c) the international price offered and the reason why the same was deferred?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Book Building process was followed to ascertain the prices in GDR Market. Price equivalent to Rs. 110 per share of GAIL was quoted by the bidders for demand of about 6 crore shares only.